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SESSION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATING
COUNCIL OF MAB, WASHINGTON, 17 - 29
SEPTEMBER 1974

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1. RE REFTEL (B), FURTHER EXPLORATION SUBJECT MATTER
WITH RESPONSIBLE UNESCO OFFICIALS REVEALED NEITHER
SCIENCE ADG HARRISON NOR DDG FOBES WOULD BE ABLE AT-
TEND SUBJECT MEETING. HARRISON WILL BE IN TURKEY FOR
ICSU GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHICH MEETING AT SAME TIME, AND
FOBES EXPECTED STAY IN PARIS FOR EXBD MEETING.

2. WE WERE ASSURED THAT WHILE DG MAHEU STILL EAGER
MAKE APPEARANCE AT WASHINGTON CONFERENCE, EITHER AT
OPENING SESSION OR DURING OFFICIAL BANQUET AT WILLIAMS-
BURG, HE WILL NOT RPT NOT GO ON OWN INITIATIVE FOR FOL-
LOWING REASONS:

(A) IT IS ESTABLISHED UNESCO TRADITION FOR
HOST COUNTRY ORGANIZERS OF UNESCO MEETING OF THIS KIND
TO EXTEND DG SPECIAL INVITATION;

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(B) MAHEU TAKES SPECIAL PRIDE IN UNESCO'S

DEVELOPMENT OF MAB PROGRAM, WHICH WAS SPECIFICALLY ENDORSED AT RECENT MOSCOW SUMMIT, AND FEELS PERSONAL INVITATION TO HIM FROM US COMMITTEE ON MAB WOULD BE INDICATIVE OF IMPORTANCE ATTACHED BY US TO MAB PROGRAM AND OF UNESCO'S ROLE THEREIN; AND FINALLY

(C) HE HOPES SUCH INVITATION WOULD ALLOW HIM FINISH HIS UNESCO CAREER ON CONCILIATORY NOTE TOWARDS US.

3. PERMDEL NOTES MAHEU NEITHER SEEKS NOR EXPECTS SPECIAL APPOINTMENT WITH PRESIDENT OR SECRETARY, ALTHOUGH MEETING WITH LATTER WOULD BE WELCOME SURPRISE SHOULD OCCASION ARISE, E.G. SECRETARY'S APPEARANCE AT OPENING SESSION OR AT WILLIAMSBURG BANQUET.

4. PERMDEL CONTINUES FEEL INVITATION TO MAHEU WOULD BE PARTICULARLY APPROPRIATE AND FAILURE TO DO SO MIGHT BE INTERPRETED BY OTHER MEMBER STATES AS DELIBERATE SLIGHT OF TOP-RANK UN PERSONALITY.
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